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SUBJECT: DAILY ACTIVITIES, OCTOBER 15, L975

FOR AMBASSADOR MCCLOSKEY FROM ENGEL

1. SADAT VISIT. THE FORMAL INVITATION TO PRESIDENT SADAT TO ADDRESS A JOINT MEETING OF CONGRESS WILL BE EXTENDED AFTER THE RECESS. IN THE MEANTIME, WE ARE ASSURED BY THE SPEAKER'S OFFICE THAT ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE FOR A MEETING IDENTICAL TO THAT HELD FOR WEST GERMAN PRESIDENT WALTER SCHEEL. THE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE MADE BY THE SPEAKER'S OFFICE ONCE THE FORMAL INVITATION HAS BEEN EXTENDED.

AN IDENTICAL JOINT MEETING IS BEING PLANNED FOR THE ANTICIPATED VISIT OF ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER RABIN.

2. UPCOMING LEGISLATION. MAX FRIEDERSDORF HELD A CABINET-WIDE MEETING THIS AFTERNOON TO REVIEW LEGISLATION COMING UP DURING THE REMAINDER OF THIS YEAR. IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT WE DO NOT HAVE A CORNER ON PROBLEMS WITH THE HILL. THE QUESTION OF THE TAX CUT/ SPENDING CUT LEGISLATION LOOMED LARGE IN THE DISCUSSION. IT APPEARS THAT THE EXECUTIVE/CONGRESSIONAL DISPUTE ON
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EXPECT IN THE SECURITY ASSISTANCE BILL. I TOUCHED ON THE
SECURITY ASSISTANCE BILL, HUMAN RIGHTS, THE 200-MILE
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